

December 27, 2010

The Common Council met as the Water Utility Board at 7:00 pm on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Comm. Maynard; Operations Supt. Danny Moss; Larry Williams; Judy and David Whitten; Nancy Sexton; Andy Hoehn; Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Fuelling moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Askren moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the report of the Water Chairman.

Chairwoman Askren stated she has no report.

Supt. Gray stated he has no report but would like to commend his crew. He stated they have a pretty substantial leak that then splintered off into about three consecutive leaks, all within a 24 hour period. He added they were on the clock for 36 hours straight, with no break, in the freezing weather. He stated he had to issue a small localized boil order as a result, but that was it. He then stated they did a great job, and he would put them up against any crew in the State.

Mayor Tucker agreed and asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated they have the Financial Report for October before them and any questions can still be directed to Bookkeeper Bennett.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Board ?

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any Legal presentations ?

Attorney Higgins stated as Board will recall from their last meeting, Mr. Hogan of JCI gave them an update on the completion of Phase 2 and the start of Phase 3 (intakes). She added she has received the contract and is reviewing it. She stated she will send Board copies once she has finished her review. She

concluded by stating if Board has any questions or comments on Phase 2, they need to get with Supt. Gray.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked Supt. Gray if with Aventine being on line now, how everything is going ?

Supt. Gray replied they are using lots of water, going well.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Hoehn moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer

The Common Council met immediately following the Water Utility Board on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren, Fuelling, Hoehn, Curtis, and Higgins attending. Others attending were Attorney Higgins; Supt. Gray; Chief Beloit; Comm. Maynard; Operations Supt. Danny Moss; Larry Williams; Judy and David Whitten; Nancy Sexton; Andy Hoehn; Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented.

Councilman Curtis moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented.

Seconded by Councilwoman Hoehn.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Standing Committees.

Street & Light Chairman Fuelling stated he has no report.

Comm. Maynard stated he has no report.
Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Police & Dog Chairwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.
Chief Beloit stated he has no report.
Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Fire Chairman Curtis stated he has no report.
Chief Waters was not present.
Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Sewer Chairwoman Higgins stated she has no report.
Oper. Supt. Moss stated he has no report.
Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?
There were none.

Mayor Tucker asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had any Communications for the Council ?
Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman replied not at this time.

Mayor Tucker stated they are now ready for the Legal portion of the Agenda.
Attorney Higgins stated the first item is the 2nd reading of the proposed Ordinance to Adopt Rules and Regulations Concerning the Use of the Municipal Credit Card Issued in the Name of the City of Mount Vernon, Indiana.
Councilman Curtis moved the Ordinance pass second reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Askren.
Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?
Councilwoman Higgins stated she did not see anywhere that all bills turned in for payment must be itemized and she feels that meals especially need to be itemized.
Attorney Higgins replied under Section I, paragraph (B), subsection (5) states that all receipts for all items must itemized.
Mayor Tucker stated if there were no further questions, he will request a roll call vote.
Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:
Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;
Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.
Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.
Councilman Curtis moved the rules be suspended. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.
Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.
Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:
Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;
Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.
Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.
Councilman Curtis moved the ordinance pass on final reading. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.
Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?
There was none.
Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.
Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:
Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;
Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.
Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added the ordinance will be numbered 10-25.

Attorney Higgins stated the next item is the second reading of the Ordinance to Rezone 206 W. 10th Street from RM to CG, as unanimously passed by the Area Plan Commission, and Council at their last meeting. Councilwoman Hoehn moved the ordinance pass second reading. Seconded by Councilman Curtis.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hoehn moved the rules be suspended. Seconded by Councilwoman Askren.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hoehn moved the ordinance pass on final reading. Seconded by Councilwoman Askren.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 10-26.

Attorney Higgins stated the next few items are requested by Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman, the first being a Resolution to Transfer in the General and Park & Recreation Funds. She added this is an end of the year clean up type of Resolution to make sure money is in all the places it needs to be to satisfy State Board of Accounts.

Councilwoman Hoehn moved the Resolution pass. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 10-27.

Attorney Higgins stated the next item is a Resolution for a temporary loan to Park & Recreation, in the amount of \$20,000 from Cumulative Capital Improvement Fund. She added loans are to be paid back by December 31 of the current year, but at this point, it does not appear tax settlement will be made by the County before Friday, so this loan will need to be paid by on or before June 30, 2011.

Councilman Curtis moved the Resolution pass. Seconded by Councilman Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 10-28.

Attorney Higgins stated the final item is a Resolution to extend the payback of a loan made earlier in the year from COIT to MVHF. She added it also will now need to be paid back on or before June 30, 2011.

Councilwoman Hoehn moved the Resolution pass. Seconded by Councilwoman Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker requested a roll call vote.

Roll was called by the Clerk-Treasurer with Council voting as follows:

Askren – yes; Fuelling – yes; Hoehn – yes;

Curtis – yes; Higgins – yes.

Mayor Tucker stated the motion carried unanimously.

Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman added it will be numbered 10-29.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Council ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

Councilwoman Higgins stated Christmas on Main Street was a big success and they will be needing help next year to make it even bigger and better. She added it was a great event. She then stated she would like to next year add a community Christmas Tree at the riverfront.

Mayor Tucker stated he would again like to thank Larry Williams and Councilwoman Higgins for taking on this event and he has received many positive phone calls and comments.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

Councilwoman Hoehn stated this will be her last meeting, as she was elected Posey County Assessor in the November election. She added that hopefully in her new capacity she can help the city with anything they would need. She then stated she has enjoyed every day and it has been a great experience working with fantastic people. She added she will miss everyone and see everyone at River Days !

Councilman Fuelling stated Councilwoman Hoehn has been a good addition to the Council.

Councilwoman Hoehn added that if Clerk-Treasurer Sitzman ever needs anything, just give her a call.

Mayor Tucker stated it has been a privilege working with Councilwoman Hoehn, and she has done an excellent job. There are super things happening and they have been done for the betterment of the city.

He concluded by adding Councilwoman Hoehn will be missed.

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Districts.

1st District Councilwoman Askren stated she has no report.

2nd District Councilman Fuelling stated he has no report.

3rd District Councilwoman Hoehn stated she has no report.

4th District Councilman Curtis stated he has no report.

Councilwoman-at-Large Higgins stated she has no report.

Mayor Tucker stated he will announce the appointments for 2011.

Police Department	Councilwoman Askren
Fire Department	Councilwoman Hoehn
Sewer Department	Councilwoman Higgins
Water Department	Councilman Curtis
Street Department	Councilman Fuelling
Bd of Works	Councilman Fuelling Councilwoman Higgins
Mayor Pro Tem	Councilman Curtis
Solid Waste	Councilman Fuelling
City Attorney	McFadin Higgins & Folz Beth McFadin Higgins
Area Plan Commission	?

Mayor Tucker concluded by stating 2010 was a good year, even in bad economic times, because of the Council members. He stated the Council made his job easier. Happy New Year, and thanks for everyone's efforts.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn. Councilman Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Councilwoman Hoehn. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Sitzman
Clerk-Treasurer